



Attorney Docket No. 27044U
Mail Stop Amendment

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Confirmation No.: 2220

Harald LIGTENBERG et al.

Application No.: 10/553,188

Group Art Unit: 1794

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Examiner: James C. YAGER

For: **PROCESS FOR PRODUCING PIPE SLEEVES FROM MINERAL WOOL**

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

Mail Stop *Amendment*

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Commissioner for Patents

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Commissioner:

This is a full and complete response to the Office Action having a mailing date of March 30, 2009. The three month shortened statutory period to respond is set to expire June 30, 2009. In the event this response is not timely filed, Applicants petition for an appropriate extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136(a). Please charge any fee deficiencies or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 14-0112.

In view of the following amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the outstanding rejections and allow all claims pending in this application.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.